

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

<p>IN RE: SOCIAL MEDIA ADOLESCENT ADDICTION/PERSONAL INJURY PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION</p> <p>This Document Relates To:</p> <p><i>People of the State of California, et al. v. Meta Platforms, Inc., et al.</i></p>	<p>MDL No. 3047</p> <p>Case Nos.: 4:22-md-03047-YGR (PHK) 4:23-cv-05448-YGR</p> <p>JOINT STATUS REPORT ON STATE AGENCIES' PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS</p> <p>Judge: Hon. Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers Magistrate Judge: Hon. Peter H. Kang</p>
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Dear Judge Kang:

Pursuant to ECF No. 1495, Defendants Meta Platforms, Inc.; Instagram, LLC; Meta Payments, Inc.; and Meta Platforms Technologies, LLC (collectively, “Meta”) and the State Attorneys General (“State AGs”) respectfully submit the attached joint one-page status reports regarding discovery of documents of certain state agencies in 25 States: Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawai’i, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Washington, and Wisconsin.¹

¹ Meta reports that the Parties resolved their disputes regarding discovery of state agency documents in nine of these States in advance of the December 20, 2024 joint letter briefing: Connecticut, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, New Jersey, North Carolina, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin. Subsequent to the December 20, 2024 joint letter briefing, the Parties fully resolved their disputes regarding discovery of state agency documents in three States: Indiana, Kansas, and South Dakota. Two States are discussing dismissal of their cases: Michigan and Missouri. As set forth more fully herein, some disputes remain outstanding in eleven States: Arizona, California, Colorado, Delaware, Hawai’i, Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

Ten states were not ordered to submit scheduling proposals and therefore were not addressed in the Court’s December 31 Order and are not included here. Four States dismissed their cases: Florida, Georgia, Montana, and North Dakota. Three States reached agreement with Meta on search parameters in advance of the December 11 Discovery Management Conference that precipitated the scheduling submissions: Oregon, South Carolina, and Virginia. Three States are asserting only COPPA claims, and therefore are not subject to the discovery disputes at issue: Idaho, Maryland, and West Virginia.

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Connecticut

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the relevant Connecticut agencies were finalized on December 20, 2024. The joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 did not include any disputes involving Connecticut.

Indiana

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the following Indiana agencies have been finalized, and any disputes involving those agencies contained in the joint letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 have been resolved:

1. Department of Child Services
2. Department of Health
3. Department of Education
4. Indiana Family and Social Services Administration

Kansas

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the following Kansas agencies have been finalized, and any disputes involving those agencies contained in the joint letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 have been resolved:

1. Board of Regents
2. Department of Aging and Disability Services
3. Department of Children and Family Services
4. Department of Education
5. Department of Health & Environment
6. Governor's Office

Kentucky

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the relevant Kentucky agencies were finalized on December 20, 2024. The joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 did not include any disputes involving Kentucky.

Louisiana

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the relevant Louisiana agencies were finalized on December 20, 2024. The joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 did not include any disputes involving Louisiana.

Maine

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the relevant Maine agencies were finalized on December 20, 2024. The joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 did not include any disputes involving Maine.

New Jersey

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the relevant New Jersey agencies were finalized on December 19, 2024. The joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 did not include any disputes involving New Jersey.

North Carolina

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the relevant North Carolina agencies were finalized on December 20, 2024. The joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 did not include any disputes involving North Carolina.

Rhode Island

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South Dakota

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the following South Dakota agencies have been finalized, and any disputes involving those agencies contained in the joint letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 have been resolved:

1. Department of Education
2. Department of Health
3. Department of Social Services
4. Board of Regents
5. Office of the Governor
6. Bureau of Finance and Management

Washington

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the relevant Washington agencies were finalized on December 20, 2024. The joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 did not include any disputes involving Washington.

Wisconsin

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the relevant Wisconsin agencies were finalized on December 19, 2024. The joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 did not include any disputes involving Wisconsin.

SECTION II: STATES THAT INTEND TO DISMISS THEIR CASES

Michigan

Michigan has agreed in principle to dismiss its case, subject to the parties memorializing their agreement in writing. The parties are discussing the terms of such dismissal.

Missouri

Missouri has agreed in principle to dismiss its case, subject to the parties memorializing their agreement in writing. The parties are discussing the terms of such dismissal.

SECTION III: STATES WITH OUTSTANDING AGENCY DISCOVERY DISPUTES

Arizona

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the following Arizona agencies have been finalized, and any disputes involving those agencies contained in the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 have been resolved:

1. Arizona Department of Education

Disputes involving the following Arizona agencies from the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 remain unresolved:

1. Arizona Board of Education: Disputes remain regarding search terms and reasonable number of documents for review.
2. Arizona Department of Child Safety: Disputes remain regarding search terms and reasonable number of documents for review.
3. Arizona Department of Health Services: Disputes remain regarding search terms and reasonable number of documents for review.

In an attempt to resolve these outstanding disputes, the Parties will conduct an in-person meet and confer as set forth below:

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Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the following California agencies have been finalized, and any disputes involving those agencies contained in the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 have been resolved:

1. Office of Data and Innovation
2. Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency

California agencies have begun to produce documents. Nevertheless, disputes involving the following California agencies from the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 remain unresolved:

1. California Department of Health Care Services: Disputes remain about custodians and search terms.
2. Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission: Disputes remain about custodians and search terms.
3. Health and Human Services Agency: Disputes remain about custodians and search terms.
4. Department of Consumer Affairs: Disputes remain about custodians and search terms.
5. Department of Finance: Disputes remain about custodians and search terms.
6. Department of Public Health: Disputes remain about custodians and search terms.
7. Office of the Governor: Disputes remain about custodians and search terms.
8. Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development: Disputes remain about custodians and search terms, or in the alternative, targeted searches.

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Disputes involving the following Colorado agencies from the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 remain unresolved:

1. Behavioral Health Administration: Disputes remain about custodians, search terms, and the applicable time period.
2. Department of Education: Disputes remain about custodians, search terms, and the applicable time period.
3. Department of Higher Education: Disputes remain about custodians, search terms, and the applicable time period.
4. Department of Human Services: Disputes remain about custodians, search terms, and the applicable time period.
5. Governor's Office: Disputes remain about custodians, search terms, and the applicable time period.
6. State Planning and Budgeting: Disputes remain about custodians, search terms, and the applicable time period.

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1. Delaware Department of Education: Disputes remain regarding search terms and hit report timeliness.
2. Delaware Department of Services for Children, Youth & Their Families: Disputes remain regarding search terms and hit report timeliness.
3. Delaware Office of the Governor: Disputes remain regarding custodians, search terms, and applicable time period.

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1. Department of Education

Disputes involving the following Hawai'i agencies from the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 remain unresolved:

1. Department of Human Services: Disputes remain regarding search terms, reasonable number of documents for review, and time period.
2. Department of Health: Disputes remain regarding search terms, reasonable number of documents for review, and time period.
3. State Council on Mental Health: Disputes remain regarding applicable time period.
4. Department of Budget and Finance: Disputes remain regarding applicable time period
5. Office of the Governor: Disputes remain regarding applicable time period.
6. Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs: Disputes remain regarding applicable time period.
7. Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism: Disputes remain regarding applicable time period.

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1. Department of Human Services
2. Department of Public Health
3. Office of the Governor
4. State Board of Education

Disputes involving the following Illinois agencies from the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 remain unresolved:

1. Department of Children and Family Services: Search terms, custodians, applicable time period, hit report completeness, hit report timeliness.

In an attempt to resolve these outstanding disputes, the Parties will conduct an in-person meet and confer as set forth below:

Date: January 10, 2025

Time: 2:00 PM CST

Location: Office of the Illinois Attorney General, 115 S. LaSalle St., 26th Floor, Chicago, IL 60603.

Attendees: For Meta – Michael N. Kennedy, Partner, Covington & Burling LLP

For Illinois – Matthew C. Davies, Assistant Attorney General, Consumer Fraud Bureau, Office of the Illinois Attorney General; Michelle Camp, Special Assistant to the General Counsel, Illinois Department of Children and Family Services

Minnesota

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the following Minnesota agencies have been finalized, and any disputes involving those agencies contained in the joint letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 have been resolved:

1. Minnesota Department of Education

Disputes involving the following Minnesota agencies from the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 remain unresolved:

1. Minnesota Department of Human Services: Search terms and custodians.

In an attempt to resolve these outstanding disputes, the Parties will conduct an in-person meet and confer as set forth below:

Date: January 13, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM CT

Location: Chicago, Illinois

Attendees: For Meta – Stephen Petkis, Partner, Covington & Burling LLP

For Minnesota AGO – Caitlin Micko, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Minnesota Attorney General

For DHS – Aaron Winter, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Minnesota Attorney General

Nebraska

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the following Nebraska agencies have been finalized, and any disputes involving those agencies contained in the joint letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 have been resolved:

1. Nebraska Children's Commission
2. Nebraska Department of Education

Disputes involving the following Nebraska agencies from the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 remain unresolved:

1. Nebraska Governor's Office: Search terms and applicable time period.
2. Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services: Search terms and custodians.

In an attempt to resolve these outstanding disputes, the Parties will conduct an in-person meet and confer as set forth below:

Date: January 13, 2025

Time: 2:00 PM CST

Location: Chicago, Illinois

Attendees: For Meta – Stephen Petkis, Partner, Covington & Burling LLP

For Nebraska – Anna Anderson, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Attorney General

For Nebraska Governor's Office – Maureen Larsen, Legal Counsel

For Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services – Ryan Patrick, Counsel

New York

Disputes involving the following New York agencies from the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 remain unresolved:

1. Council on Children and Families: Search terms, custodians, applicable time period, reasonable number of documents for review.
2. Department of Education: Search terms, custodians, applicable time period, reasonable number of documents for review.
3. Department of Health: Search terms, custodians, applicable time period, reasonable number of documents for review.
4. Office of Children and Family Services: Search terms, custodians, applicable time period, reasonable number of documents for review.
5. Office of Mental Health: Search terms, custodians, applicable time period, reasonable number of documents for review.
6. Office of the Governor: Search terms, custodians, applicable time period, reasonable number of documents for review.
7. State Division of Budget: Search terms, custodians, applicable time period, reasonable number of documents for review, or in the alternative, targeted searches.

In an attempt to resolve these outstanding disputes, the Parties will conduct an in-person meet and confer as set forth below:

Date: January 10, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM ET

Location: Covington and Burling LLP, 620 Eighth Avenue, New York, NY 10018

Attendees: For Meta – Christopher Y. L. Yeung, Partner, Covington & Burling LLP

For New York – Kevin Wallace, Senior Enforcement Counsel, Economic Justice Division, New York Office of the Attorney General.

For the Office of the Governor, Council on Children and Families, Department of Health, Office of Children and Family Services, Office of Mental Health, and State Division of Budget – Faith Gay, Partner, Selendy Gay; Claire O’Brien, Associate, Selendy Gay

Ohio

Negotiations regarding search terms and custodians for the following Ohio agencies have been finalized as of January 6, 2025, and any disputes involving those agencies contained in the joint letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 have been resolved:

1. Department of Children and Youth
2. Department of Education and Workforce
3. Department of Higher Education
4. Department of Job and Family Services
5. Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services
6. Department of Youth Services

Disputes involving the following Ohio agencies from the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 remain unresolved:

1. Department of Health: Search terms and custodians.
2. Office of the Governor: Custodians.

In an attempt to resolve these outstanding disputes, Meta and the Department of Health will conduct an in-person meet and confer as set forth below:

Date: January 14, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM ET

Location: Covington and Burling, One City Center, 850 Tenth Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20014.

Attendees: For Meta – Michael N. Kennedy, Partner, Covington & Burling LLP

For Ohio Department of Health – Kevin R. Walsh, Senior Assistant Attorney General; Tyler J. Herrmann, General Counsel, Ohio Department of Health

In an attempt to resolve these outstanding disputes, Meta has proposed that it and the Office of the Governor will conduct an in-person meet and confer as set forth below:

Date: January 10, 2025

Time: 12:00 PM CST

Location: Chicago O’Hare International Airport, exact location TBD.

Attendees: For Meta – Michael N. Kennedy, Partner, Covington & Burling LLP

For Office of the Governor – Shawn J. Organ, Organ Law LLP

Pennsylvania

Disputes involving the following Pennsylvania agencies from the joint discovery letter brief filed on December 20, 2024 remain unresolved:

1. Pennsylvania Department of Communities and Economic Development: Disputes remain regarding custodians.
2. Pennsylvania Department of Education: Disputes remain regarding custodians.
3. Pennsylvania Department of Health: Disputes remain regarding custodians.
4. Pennsylvania Department of Human Services: Disputes remain regarding custodians.
5. Pennsylvania Governor's Office: Disputes remain regarding custodians.
6. Pennsylvania Office of the Budget: Disputes remain regarding custodians.

In an attempt to resolve these outstanding disputes, the Parties will conduct an in-person meet and confer as set forth below:

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Time: 2:00-3:00 PM ET

Location: 1650 Arch Street, 25th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103

Attendees: For Meta – José E. Arvelo (Of Counsel).

For Pennsylvania's Office of General Counsel – Jonathan D. Koltash (Deputy General Counsel)

For Pennsylvania's Office of Attorney General – Jonathan R. Burns (Deputy Attorney General)

ATTESTATION

I, Ashley M. Simonsen, hereby attest, pursuant to N.D. Cal. Civil L.R. 5-1, that the concurrence to the filing of this document has been obtained from each signatory hereto.

Dated: January 6, 2025

By: /s/ Ashley M. Simonsen
Ashley M. Simonsen